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## HARTSVILLE WOMAN APPOINTED TO WHITE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

Mrs. Jacquelin Allsup of Hartsville has been appointed to the National Planning and Advisory Council to the White House Council on Handicapped Individuals.

She is one of 28 members of the Council, each appointed by the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. Council members include nationally known educators, rehabilitation specialists, medical personnel, social workers, government officials, families of handicapped individuals and consumers.

A major purpose of this conference is to generate a responsive national awareness of the problems facing the handicapped. The Conference will develop recommendations for legislative and administrative actions to allow individuals with handicaps to live their lives independently, with dignity, and with integration into community life.

Mrs. Allsup, the former Jacquelin Sallenger of Florence, is currently employed by St. Luke United Methodist Church in Hartsville. She was for six years a vocational evaluator with the South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department.

She has been confined to a wheelchair since 1957.



MRS. JACQUELIN SALLENGER ALLSUP

Mrs. Allsup is a member of the National Rehabilitation Association and a charter member of the National Rehabilitation Counseling Association.

She was selected South Carolina Handicapped Professional Woman of the Year by the South Carolina Pilot Clubs in 1973. She was listed in the 1973 edition of "Personalities of the South."

The Hartsville Chapter of the Business and Professional Women selected her 1974 Career Woman of the Year.

She and her husband, Guy L. Allsup, Jr., have two sons.

## 1976 NRA Campaign—Off and Running

The 1976 membership drive for the National Rehabilitation Association has begun — with new incentives for solicitation of memberships.

Edward H. McMillion, Departmental Training Coordinator, is serving again this year as membership chairman for South Carolina.

Both the salesman with the most membership points for new and renewed members and the salesman with the most new membership points will receive expense paid trips to the national NRA convention.

The change in this policy has been made for the 1976 campaign only, due to the close proximity of the regional meeting to which the person with the most new membership points normally goes. The regional meeting will be held at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

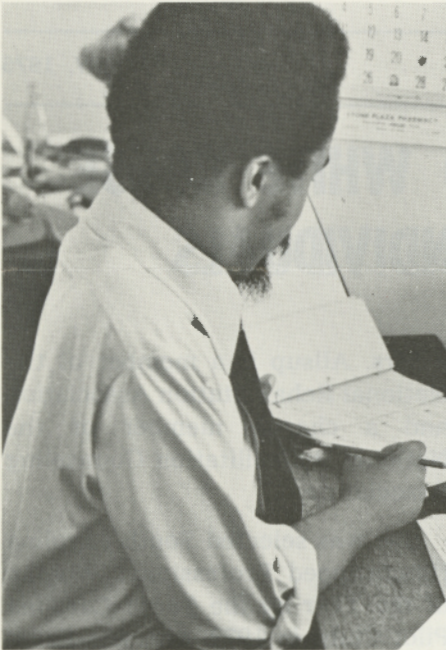
Each person who obtains 120 new membership points from any combination of memberships and retains at least 75 percent of his renewals will receive his NRA membership free.

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## South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department

# FIRST IN THE NATION IN 1974-75



South Carolina's vocational rehabilitation program was first in the nation again this year.

The South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department was successful in placing 13,143 disabled men and women in productive employment during the 1974-75 fiscal year.

Dill D. Beckman, Commissioner of the Department, says, "we don't ask employers to hire the handicapped because they are disabled, but because they can work as well as any non-handicapped person, with proper training and placement." He adds that "those who have disabilities also have ability."

The rehabilitants increased their annual rate of earning from less than \$9 million before rehabilitation to more than \$50 million after rehabilitation. This is a net increase of 469% as a result of vocational rehabilitation services.

It is estimated that the rehabilitants will repay the cost of their rehabilitation through Federal and State income tax and sales tax in less than five years.

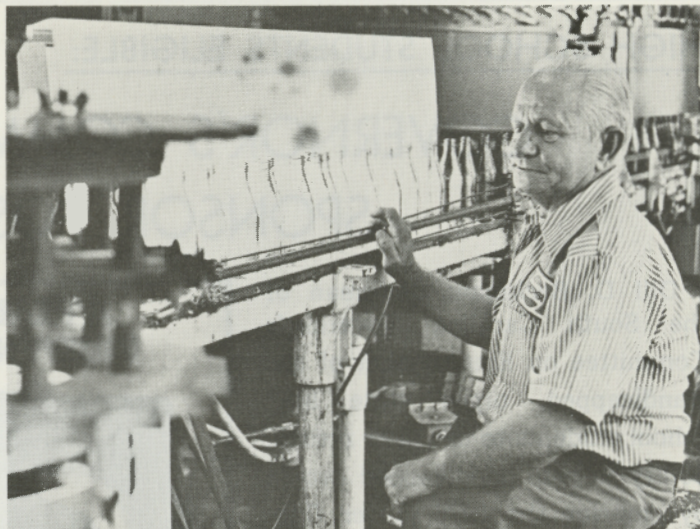
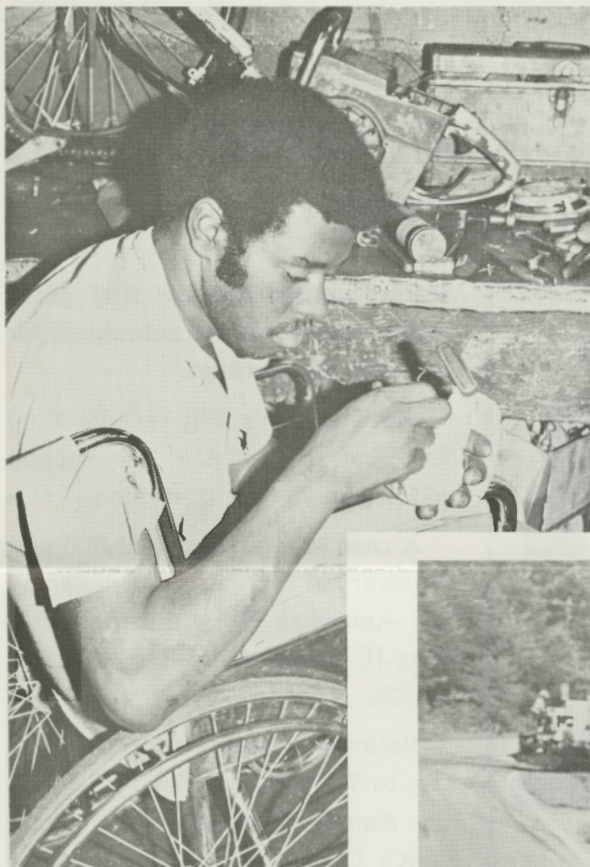
Of those placed in gainful employment during 1974-75, 5,221 are working in industrial occupations; 1,472 in clerical and sales; 805 in professional, technical and managerial occupations; 563 in farming and related occupations; 3,057 in service occupations; and 2,025 in special occupations.

An analysis of the rehabilitants shows that 2,614 were disabled by mental illness; 2,104 by mental retardation; 1,483 by digestive system disorders and 1,444 by orthopedic deformity. Others had such disabilities as hearing impairment, heart conditions, allergy and respiratory diseases.

Services provided by the department in preparing the disabled for employment include medical, surgical and hospital care, extensive individual counseling and guidance; artificial limbs and other prosthetic devices; education and job training; placement in employment and other related services.







## NRA Membership Drive

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The area with the largest increase in new membership points will be presented the NRA traveling trophy. The Orangeburg Area won this award for the 1975 campaign.

According to McMillion, "there has been some difficulty in obtaining renewals since notices have been sent out from the national

NRA office directly to members. Even though South Carolina was in the top ten states in total sales last year, total sales were down because of this policy.

"As a result," he adds, "second notices for 1976 renewals are being sent to local chairmen, so that personal contacts can be made with those members who have not yet renewed memberships."



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ELIGIBLE:

## GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE AND AMVETS SPONSOR POSTER CONTEST

Dill D. Beckman, Chairman of the South Carolina Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, urges state high school students to use their artistic ability to help handicapped people by entering the 1976 Poster Contest of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

The theme of the 1976 contest is "Handicapped People: An American Asset."

To enter, the student prepares a painting, drawing, photograph, collage or any two-dimensional



state winners, and the first place state winner will be submitted for national competition.

State winners will receive \$100 for first place; \$50 for second place; and \$25 for third place.

A cash scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded the national winner by the American Veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam (AMVETS).

National winners also receive a trip to Washington, D. C. to attend the Annual Meeting of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped. The winning posters will be used in the President's Committee's national publicity campaigns.

Details of the contest are available at area Vocational Rehabilitation offices.

The contest is sponsored in South Carolina by the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and the South Carolina AMVETS.

medium or combination of media, in color or black and white, which communicates the theme. Designs should be prepared on 14" x 18" sheets of illustration board and sent to Dr. Dill D. Beckman, P. O. Box 4945, Columbia, South Carolina, 29240, by January 15, 1976.

Cash prizes will be presented by the South Carolina AMVETS to



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